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#### INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

The patents listed on the attached PTO-1449 are cited herein because they were cited in the Search Report of corresponding International Application No. PCT/EP99/06373. The Examiner may also wish to consider the notations on the Search Report itself regarding the relevance of each item.

The Notification of Acceptance of Application mailed May 31, 2001 indicates that a copy of the International Search Report and copies of the references cited therein have been received by the PTO. Accordingly, copies of these documents are not provided herewith. The indicated Abstracts, which are enclosed, were obtained from the esp@cenet database.

It is requested that the Examiner consider these references and officially make them of record in accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97 and Section 609 of the MPEP.

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